

The Local Emergency Planning Committee of Yellowstone County is comprised of representatives from:

- ▼ Billings Fire Department
- ▼ Lockwood Fire Department
- ▼ Yellowstone County Disaster and Emergency Services
- ▼ Government, Industry and Private Citizens

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Sammy
Siren
Says...
"Play It
Safe.
Shelter In
Place!"



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Family Emergency Supply Kit

There are six basics you should stock in your home: water, food, first aid kit, tools and supplies, clothing and bedding, and special items.

Keep the items you would most likely need during an evacuation in an easy-to-carry container – suggested items are listed below.

Water – Store at least one gallon of water per person.

Food – Store at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food. Select food that requires no refrigeration, preparation or cooking and little or no water. Select items that are compact and lightweight.

First Aid Kit – Assemble a first aid kit for your home and one for your car. Include items such as bandages, adhesive tape, scissors and tweezers. You should include cleaning agents and antiseptics. Some non-prescription drug items such as aspirin, antacids and laxatives could be valuable in your first aid kit.

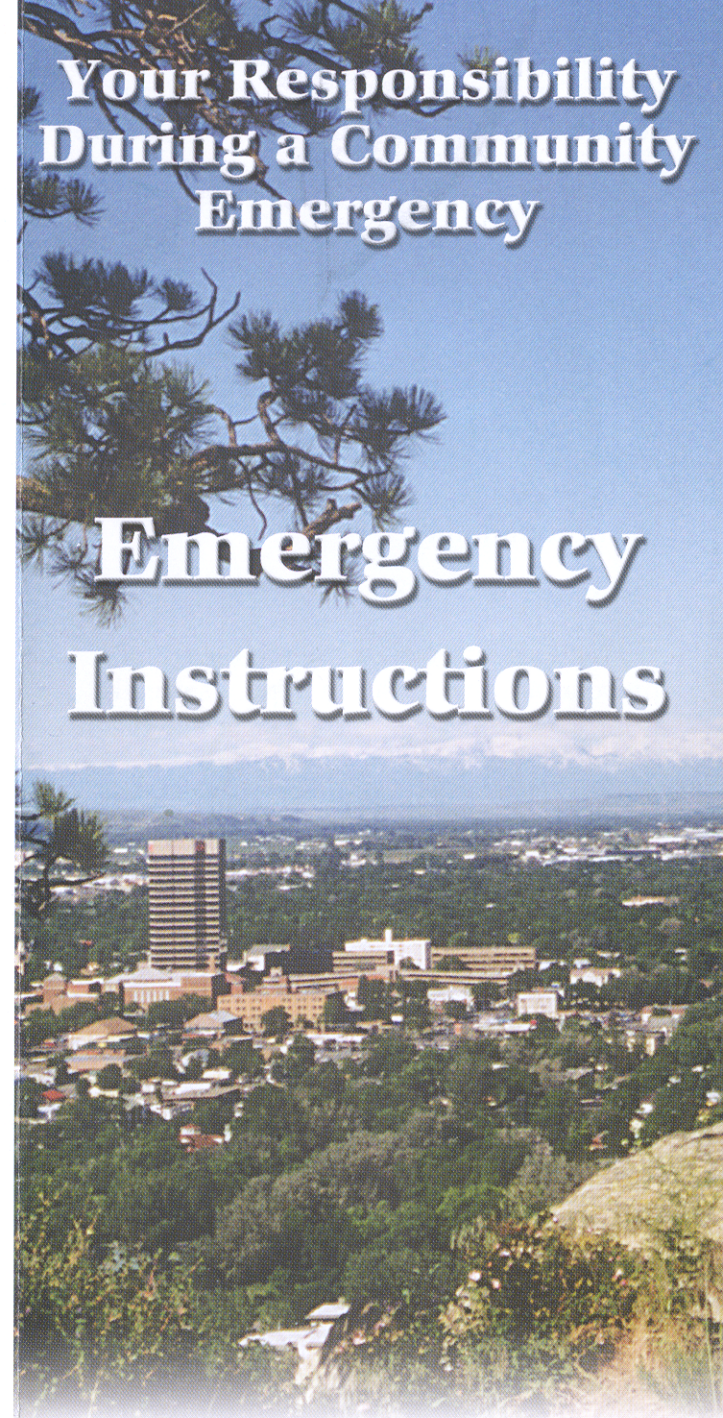
Tools & Supplies – Include items such as flashlights, battery-powered radio, extra batteries, plastic sheeting, mess kits or paper cups and plates, maps, matches, paper and pencil, etc. Don't forget the personal sanitation items that you will need.

Clothing & Bedding – Include at least one complete change of clothing and footwear per person. Sleeping bags, blankets, rain gear, hats, gloves and sturdy shoes or boots should be included.

Special Items – Include items such as baby supplies, prescription items, copies of important family documents, money, entertainment, games and books for younger children.

Your Responsibility During a Community Emergency

Emergency Instructions



LEPC

Local Emergency
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of Yellowstone County

It is a fact of life...there is always a chance an emergency could occur in our community. While natural disasters such as floods, earthquakes, tornadoes, or technological emergencies such as chemical spills, vapor clouds, or major industrial fires don't occur very often, it's comforting to know that there is a plan to help protect us. The Yellowstone County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) coordinates and maintains the various community response plans. We want you to know what to do in case an emergency situation occurs in our community.

SHOULD YOU STAY?

The decision to stay where you are or move to another location depends greatly upon your senses. If you hear an explosion – and your current location is NOT in danger – stay where you are; do NOT go outside to see what the noise was. LEPC calls this **"Shelter In Place"**

SHOULD YOU GO?

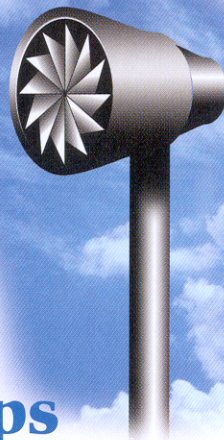
If you are told to evacuate by an official, stay calm. Only take essentials. Wear suitable clothing. Lock your home securely. Keep car windows closed. Turn your car radio on. Follow the instructions of authorized emergency personnel.

Should an evacuation become necessary, the radio and television stations will provide you with specific evacuation instructions. Above all, remain calm.

Do not try to pick children up from school or day care. Principals, teachers and day care workers will provide for their safety.

Emergency sirens are located in the following communities:

Billings
Lockwood
Laurel
Huntley
Shepherd
Worden
Custer



Basic steps for Shelter In Place

1. Go inside quickly and calmly.
2. Close all doors and windows.
3. Turn on the radio or television to your local station for more information. Have a battery-powered radio in a convenient location in the event of a power outage.
4. Turn off mechanical ventilation systems such as furnaces, air conditioners and vent fans.
5. Put out fireplace fires with sand or water.
6. Have a damp, folded cloth available to cover your mouth and nose.
7. Continue to listen for instructions and stay indoors until you're notified that it is safe to resume your normal routine.

It's your responsibility, know what to do:

HAVE A PERSONAL SAFETY PLAN

- ☒ Making your own personal safety plan is easy and is your responsibility. Even the best emergency responders take a while to mobilize; initially, it's up to you and your plan to provide for your immediate safety.

USE YOUR SENSES

- ☒ If you see, hear or smell danger, or "sense" that something has happened, trust your sense of warning and be ready for appropriate action.

KNOW HOW TO SHELTER IN PLACE

- ☒ Go inside and stay inside. Close windows and doors. Listen to the radio or television. Stay off of the phone (leave phone lines open for emergencies).

KNOW HOW TO EVACUATE

- ☒ Evacuate at once if told to do so by an official. Take essentials only. Follow law enforcement instructions and listen to your car radio.

MAKE A FAMILY EMERGENCY SUPPLY KIT

- ☒ Be ready to evacuate to a shelter or safe haven. Assemble the essentials before an emergency occurs. Keep them handy in an easy-to-carry box for your family. There is a list of suggested items for you to consider on the back of this brochure.